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FOR O.H. GANLEY/M. CRAWFORD

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SUBJECT: ECE - SENIOR ADVISORS ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY:

AD HOC MEETING ON TECHNOLOGY FORECASTING

1. SUBJECT MEETING HELD AS SCHEDULED MAY 16 AND 17, 1977.

PROVISIONAL AGENDA ADOPTED WITHOUT MODIFICATION.

2. SMIRNOV (USSR) AND TAYLOR (UK) ELECTED CHAIRMAN AND

VICE-CHAIRMAN RESPECTIVELY.

3. MEETING WAS RUN EFFICIENTLY, ATMOSPHERE WAS COOPERATIVE.

REPORT WAS BRIEF AND AGREED UPON WITH ONLY A FEW MODIFICATIONS

ENTERED.

4. CMEA SUBMITTED DETAILED DOCUMENT ON METHODOLOGY FOR JOINT

FORECASTING. ATTEMPTS TO MAKE THIS DOCUMENT THE SOLE BASIS

FOR ALL FUTURE MULTINATIONAL FORECASTING ACTIVITIES THWARTED

BY US, UK AND FRG.

5. A LIST OF SUBJECT AREAS AND SOME TOPICS WITHIN THEM WAS

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COMPILED TO PROVIDE EXAMPLES OF POSSIBLE FORECAST TOPICS.

THE AREAS INCLUDED: ENERGY; NATURAL RESOURCES; TRANSPORT;

AGRICULTURE; FOOD; NATURAL HAZARDS AND CLIMATE CHANGE;

GENETICS; AND CYBERNETICS. IT WAS DECIDED NOT TO ORDER

THESE AREAS BY ANY PRIORITY BUT TO SUGGEST THAT THE

SENIOR ADVISORS CONSIDER THE QUESTION OF PRIORITY.

6. A SYSTEMATIC PROCEDURE FOR CARRYING OUT COOPERATIVE FORECASTS WAS SUGGESTED. IT INCLUDES: IDENTIFICATION OF SUBJECT AREAS FOR STUDY; OBTAINING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FROM COUNTRIES THAT MIGHT PARTICIPATE; HAVING SECRETARIAT DEVELOP A DETAILED PROPOSAL FOR THE FORECASTS; CONVENING A GROUP OF NATIONAL RAPORTEURS TO CONSIDER THE PROPOSAL; PERFORMING THE FORECASTS BY SECRETARIAT AND RAPORTEURS; AND CONVENING A SEMINAR ON TECHNOLOGY FORECASTING TO EXCHANGE EXPERIENCE AND DISCUSS METHODS AND APPLICATIONS.
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